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OUR 69TH YEAR!

It must be called to your attention, with humility and grace, that this issue is "Volume 69, Number 1" of this newspaper. That means that the paper is starting this week its 69th year of continuous publication. It is the oldest business, to the best of our knowledge, in historic Appomattox County. And of these 69 years, the present ownership has brought the paper to you since Sept. 15, 1931.

This could not have been accomplished without a lot of cooperation and public acceptance.

As we start our 69th year, we are thankful for each and every one who makes it possible for Appomattox to have its own newspaper.

THE NEW TEAM

The new team that will run the United States Government will be a different one from the staff-like structure headed by Dwight D. Eisenhower.

In the Eisenhower Administration, except for two years, Congress was in the hands of the opponent party. Under President Kennedy, one party will be in power in the legislative and administrative branches of government.

Thus, a teamwork is possible that has not been seen in Washington in recent years.

President Kennedy will also be on intimate terms with many of the leaders who run the Congressional show. He has served in both houses of the Congress, and knows full well the manner in which things are accomplished on Capital Hill. Mr. Eisenhower did not have this advantage.

Also, President Kennedy will have at his side, the Texan, Lyndon Johnson, who has been well trained in the mechanics of U. S. Government. Add in such veterans as Speaker Sam Rayburn, and Majority Leader John McCormack, and veteran committee chairmen, and you have the "makings" of a "team" Administration.

The challenge to President Kennedy will be organize and direct this "team."

We are not likely to see a rapid flood of legislation this year, such as marked the famous first "hundred days" of F. D. R. in 1933. But, we could hope that a team of 1961 statesmen will set up a pattern of cooperation that will react to the long-range betterment of the situation in Washington.

ON HAPPINESS - 1961

There are always people in a community who are invariably pleasant and happy. They are not necessarily those who have the most money, or the easiest jobs.

Very likely, they are happy because they are thankful for all that they do have.

There are those about us who seem to have problem after problem, and who worry and fret, and end up with an unhappy life.

We suppose that is "the way the ball bounces." But, it proves the rule of life that the Christian virtues and the state of mind are the secrets of happiness. There is happiness in unselfishness and a desire to serve others. And there is happiness in the service to principles taught by Jesus. And there is happiness in peace of mind coming from true knowledge that one has done one's best—whatever his or her station in life.

Serenity in life is not always easy to acquire. You are fortunate if you possess it—inwardly. We use that word: "inwardly"— because on occasion acquaintances "put on an outward show of happiness, when in fact, within they are very unhappy.

We covet for our readers a generous order of happiness in 1961.

We will have setbacks and misfortunes. Ah yes, that is the way of life. But down within the soul of each one, there must be the spirit of true love and faith to conquer these setbacks and misfortunes.

This is the time of year to think of such things. What better New Year's Resolution than to be truly thankful for one's blessings, and to be happy in accepting adversities in faith and confidence that we will prevail!

MORE WATER

We commend the Town Council of Appomattox for its decision to seek and implement additional water supplies. It would appear that the community is dependent upon the drilling of wells to supply its water needs. We have been fortunate enough to "hit" several splendid wells. On occasion, the reserve in the town tanks has fallen low, but by and large, the water supply has been adequate.

However, we are in a growing community, and it is important that we anticipate requirements. It is, therefore, reassuring that the Town is planning a new major well. The proper surveys have been made, and we are confident that the town can promise local residents — and any interested new industries— an ample supply of water.

THE NEW CONGRESS

For the 87th time in the history of our country, a new Congress is assembling in Washington, in January. These are the men (and the women) elected by the people of the fifty states to enact legislation under which all of us will live.

Congresses are subjected to much abuse from the cynical, from the disillusioned, and disappointed, but Congress is preferable to a party dictatorship or executive tyranny.

The machinery does not always run smoothly, but it is the voice of the people, and the new Congress enters upon its duties direcly from selection by the people.

We trust that a worthy record will be carved out by the new Congress, and that intelligence and foresight will mark its efforts.

Sour Government Note

The present Administration announced recently, in Washington, that the official forecast concerning 1961 automobile sales in the United States was that a drop from 1960 sales of about thirteen per cent could be expected.

This is a sour note, in a country expanding by about two million persons annually. It means that the present Administration predicts that some 900,000 fewer cars will be sold this new year. Such would add to unemployment in the automotive and allied industries, and hinder the expected efforts of the incoming Administration to restore vitality to the American economy.

To head off a major recession will challenge the incomnig Administration. The number of unemployed is vital, but how can industry add or even maintain payrolls without adequate sales volume? To raise the standard of living, but how to do it without families being fully employed and able to pay for the things they would like to buy? To increase exports and safeguard the value of the dollar in world exchange, but how to do it, when many competing countries can undersell us? To lower taxes which are now stifling business, but yet face the challenge of an astounding debt and interest budget, is another challenge.

We pray earnestly that the Kennedy Administration will show vigor and enterprise in facing these challenges. The new Administration is surely entitled to a fair try at getting the country back into its stride as a growing nation with the world's top living standard.

You can travel a thousand miles and you won't any better people than those around you right here in historic Appomattox. Others are as good, to be sure, but we live in a neighborly way with those we understand, and who understand us.

The reason some people have so friends is that they think that a friend should give them something for nothing.

The national election is over. This does not mean that you must change your views on anything, if you belong to the minority party. But it does mean that the winners are entitled to a chance at framing national policies.

Freedom of speech is not valuable, unless someone will listen.

Liberty Chapel

Liberty Chapel, Jan. 3.- Miss Faye Thornhill was dinner guest last Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wooldridge, of Evergreen.

Those visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Thornhill Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lawhorn, of Washington, and Mrs. Lewis Spencer and daughter, of Arrington, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stanley, Wayne and Ralph.

Dinner guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Gunter were Mr. and Mrs. Preston Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Thornhill, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Eubank, and Mrs. Percy Garrette.

Miss Faye Thornhill was dinner guest Friday of the Lewis Morgans, of Buckingham.

Mrs. Eugene Allen and Kenneth of Amherst were dinner guests on Wednesday of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Thornhill.

Dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Gunter on Friday evening were Mr. and Mrs. James Gorion, Jr., and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Caldwell Jr., and family, and Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Gunter visited Mrs. W. H. Gunter, of Lynchburg Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Thornhill visited Sunday in the home of her father, Don Owen, of Randolph.

Dinner guests Monday of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Thornhill were Mr. and Mrs. Percy Garrette, Mrs. Paul Thornhill and Miss Faye Thornhill.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Spiggle, of Lynchburg, were visitors Monday of Mrs. Mildred Mann.

Mrs. Lula Beale and J. L. Thornhill were vinsitors on Monday of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Garrette.

Mrs. Lyle Davidson and family, of Columbus, Ohio, were week-end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Reynolds.

Mrs. E. K. Martin and Mrs. Beverly Martin visited relatives in Richmond last week.

Finley acquires the control of Athletics Club.

Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary

On Sunday, December 18, 1960, Mr. and Mrrs. Thornton R. Carter, Route 3, Appomattox, celebrated their 50th wedding anvinersary.

Guests were received by Mrs. Richard B. Carter, of Chase C... Mrs. Thornton R. Carter, Jr., Richmond, assisted by Mrs. W... Carter and Miss Lois Morris se... cake and punch.

Fortune's

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pout Spring, Jan. 3.- Miss Marie Carson, of Lynchburg visited her brother, Mr. Walter Carson over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. George Carson, Mr. Clifton and Harriett Carson, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Carson and Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Carson and Joan Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Wooten and Velma Mae Wooten visited Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Carson and Joan on Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Carson and Mr. Carson visited Mr. and Mrs. S. Jones Jr. and family Monday.

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Church News

HAZEL MOON YWA

The Hazel Moon Young Woman's Auxiliary met in the home of Miss Ann Martin Dec. 8. The slate of officers for the coming year is:

President, Alice Marie Martin
Vice-pres., Harriette Carson
Secretary, Ann Martin
Stewardship and Prayer Chairman, June Martin
Mission Study, Sandra Robertson
Community Missions: Wanda Morris
Program, Joyce Ann Moon and Velma Mae Wootten.
Social, Marvis Powell
Publicity, Diane Puckett.

The young ladies were asked by their Counselor, Mrs. Wesley Martin, to be much in thought and prayer for the selection of the Y. W. A. girl to be chosen for the Y. W. A. of the year.

The January meeting will be held with Joyce Ann Moon.

Birth In Tunnel

Pittsburgh.- Mrs. Fred Rasbach, 20, gave birth to a son inside Pittsburgh's mile-long Liberty Tunnel.

She was being rushed to the hospital, in a police ambulance, by two policemen and her husband.

This is her second son, and she was reported to be getting along fine in St. Joseph's Hospital.

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Washington Notes

Exchange Agreement

The United States and Communist Romania have reached an exchange agreement covering graduate students, tourists, and scientific and industrial and cultural programs.

The only other exchange agreement that has been set up with a Communist nation is one with Russia.

The exchange agreement is to include swapping of various exhibitions, books, and radio and television programs.

Cuts Dependent Curb

The Government has eased its controversial order limiting the number of military dependents overseas, so now there are loopholes some families may squeeze through.

American service men and their families spend American dollars while overseas, and these dollars sometimes are redeemed for American gold by foreign banks.

Eisenhower's order November 17 was an effort to stop the flow of gold from the United States.

3,000,000,000 People

The population of the world will hit 3,000,000,000 in 1961, the Population Reference Bureau reported.

The non-profit research organization said the world's population now stands at 2,900,000,000 and is growing at a rate of 1.7 per cent a year.

Temple of Six Faiths

A temple costing $5,000,000 to represent the world's six major religious faiths has been proposed for Washington.

The structure would have a main section with a wing added to be used by people of these faiths: Christianity, Hinduism, Buddhism; Judaism, Confucianism, and Islam .

Policeme Busy

Baltimore.- After a recent heavy snow, police towed away 51 cars illegally on city streets during operation of the city's snow emergency plan.

Police also issued 390 tickets to the autos parked on snow emergency streets and left there by their owners after the snow emregency plan was put into effect.

Demonstration Club Schedule

Schedule of meetings of Home Demonstration Clubs:

Monday, Jan. 9.- Buthany Club will meet at 1:30 P. M., with Mrs. Curtis Paulette.

Monday, Jan. 9.- Richwood Club will meet at 7:30 P. M., with Mrs. Fred Wooldridge.

Thursday, Jan. 12.- Stonewall Club will meet at 11 A. M. with Mrs. W. E. Bondurant Jr. Members are asked to bring a covered dish for luncheon.

Observation

Our cynical friend observes that it is not always the coldest girl who gets the mink coat. —Sioux City Journal-Tribune.

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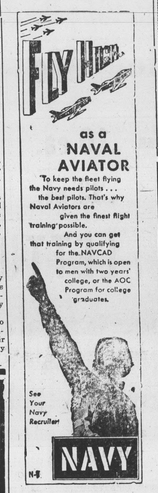

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